

The literary club has settled the question of the relative evils of wealth as against ignorance and poverty affirmatively.

On Tuesday last Mrs. Franklin Berry fell and broke her wrist and was otherwise injured. On Wednesday as Mrs. Charles Switzer was driving to the village, the kingbolt failed and she was thrown to the ground, her horse running to the village. The eight dozen eggs she was carrying to the store were left in the road. On the same day Alice Beckwith while driving from the village to the station was thrown from the carriage, but fortunately not injured. The carriage was badly broken.

**Wheelock.**  
Mr. Jennings and wife have returned to New York City.

Mrs. Etta Rogers of St. Johnsbury has been stopping in town the past week.

After a hard fought battle all three candidates for representatives withdrew from the contest and Wheelock is not to be represented this fall.

Mr. Fred Day will move into his house the first of October and Mr. Fred Hill of St. Johnsbury will move on to Mr. Harriman's farm.—James Howard has moved to East Haven.—Chas. Garland is moving to Lyndon Center.

**Sheffield.**  
Mrs. Walter Simpson whom her husband recently "posted" in the Monitor states that he has never furnished her with bed or board or clothes, and until he chooses to do and to furnish her a home, she will be obliged to find support and a home elsewhere.

#### COUNTY COURT.

Court opened at 10 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, Hon. James M. Tyler presiding; N. S. Rogers, J. C. Orne, associate. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. L. Olds and the sheriff made the usual proclamations. The grand jurors were then called:

Albany, E. C. Rowell; Barton, David Gillis; Brownington, George Kinney; Charleston, E. C. Carruth; Coventry, F. C. Williams; Craftsbury, S. L. Leavitt; Derby, Chas. Lunt; Glover, O. P. Owen; Greensboro, H. S. Tolman; Holland, I. H. Marsh; Irasburgh, John S. Smith; Jay, A. J. Willis; Lowell, A. I. Dodge; Morgan, L. D. Farr; Newport, O. J. Adams; Troy, John Bisbee; Westfield, E. W. Miller; Westmore, A. W. Lyon.

After the oath was given the Judge proceeded with his charge, which was given in a very plain and instructive manner. He charged them with secrecy during the court and thereafter. The following petit jurors responded:

Albany, Alex Williams, E. M. Gallagher; Barton, J. N. Webster, O. T. Willard; Brownington, A. W. Willey; Charleston, A. W. Lackey, Clark Royce; Coventry, John I. Parker, A. M. Gray; Craftsbury, F. J. Burnell; Derby, Wm. Spaulding, Lot Edwards; Glover, E. L. Stanton, David Baker; Greensboro, Will S. Ingalls, W. B. Simpson; Holland, Alfred Davis; Irasburgh, Geo. S. Jerome, C. D. Bailey; Jay, Wm. H. Bladell; Lowell, J. Frank Perkins; Morgan, A. H. Daggett; Newport, S. H. Holbrook; Troy, C. W. Hitchcock, C. S. Wheeler; Westfield, Wallace D. Miller, G. A. Hodgkins; Westmore, R. Averill.

The first case found ready for trial was No. 143, Bickford vs. Travelers' Insurance Co. The plaintiff resides in Barton; the defendant in Hartford, Conn. Council for plaintiff, W. W. Miles, F. W. Baldwin of Barton; for defendant, Crane & Alfred, and E. A. Cook of Newport. The case was brought to recover for injuries received in January, 1893, while the plaintiff was carrying an insurance ticket against accident for the amount of \$3,000 in case of death by accident, or \$15 per week for indemnity if laid up by accident. Plaintiff as first put on the stand and by his testimony showed that he was injured the next day after receiving the same, while passing from O. D. Owen's store in Barton, slipping on the ice and falling in such a way as to bruise his head, neck and arm, and was totally disabled from four to five weeks; about the middle of March was able to go about crutches; in April was able to do some chores; in July, while mowing machine, but was unable to do other work. On cross examination Plff. showed he made claim the first part of April for settlement, and sent in affidavits of doctor.

Edward Barnard was then called and stated that Bickford couldn't help himself at the time of fall on the ice, made statement in writing in regard to the injuries by request of doctor.

D. Folsom of So. Barton called Plff. four or five days after accident and stated that he did not then seem to be in his right mind; saw him several times during summer; he was unable to perform any manual labor. Her evidence showed that Plff. was what he was about after accident until he was taken to Dr. Ruggles by his own request, but was not able to walk alone, or drive his own home. Dr. Ruggles called his cases quite severe; couldn't help

himself any and did not appear to be in right mind; saw him later in season, didn't seem to be in right mind; could do no manual labor; was very pale and poor compared to what he was before accident. Plff. rested.

Several witnesses were used by the defense, whose evidence tended to show that Bickford received little or no injury. The case was given to the jury on Friday, who brought in a verdict for the plaintiff to receive \$210. Case appealed.

#### THE FINANCES.

The official statement of Treasury receipts during the month of August gives force to the suggestion already made, that the new revenue law may not prove satisfactory to the Government. Receipts of internal revenue in August were \$27,562,278, and in two months July and August \$52,752,778, of which about \$40,000,000 is supposed to have been in payment of whiskey taxes. If so, about 44,500,000 gallons of whiskey have been taken out, on which Government loses 20 cents per gallon, or \$8,900,000, having made a present to the Trust of that large sum in the hope of getting about \$11,000,000 additional revenue during the coming year. But if the year's consumption of whiskey, instead of equalling that of 1893, should fall off about as much as the cost has advanced, the additional tax would take from the people only \$16,000,000, of which more than \$8,900,000 has gone to the Trust, and less than \$7,100,000 would remain for the Government.

The receipts from customs in August were \$11,804,914, and it appears that only about \$2,500,000 was reported as received in the few days after the new tariff took effect. The fact is that the receipts have thus far been smaller than was expected, and while the Treasury estimated that \$20,000,000 or more would be paid in duties on goods in bond, it seems probable that the amount will be much smaller. It has been shown that the sugar supply for at least a third of the year has been imported free of duty, so that the people will pay from a cent to a cent and half additional for their sugar, not to Government, but to the Sugar Trust. If the consumption should be as large as it was in 1893 with sugar free, the Trust would pocket in the neighborhood of \$15,000,000 profit, and the Government about \$25,000,000 increased revenue.

It was officially estimated that the new duties on other articles than sugar would realize about \$138,000,000 in a year, if imports should be the same as in 1893. For the four months September-December, inclusive, this would be about \$45,000,000, and the removal of goods from bond, however large, would only take the place in consumption of other goods which might be imported. How far the imports may increase beyond the record of 1892 for the remaining months can only be conjectured. But the Government expenses in those four months were about \$125,000,000 that year, and the appropriations have been about as large as for that year, and with internal revenue receipts reduced more than half by the anticipation of the whiskey tax, only about \$24,000,000 from that source would remain. It will be seen that the customs receipts must enormously increase—in fact, must more than double—or the Treasury may have to face a deficit for the remaining months of the year.

#### ELECTION NOTES.

The fates decree that Mr. Stickney, present Speaker of the House, will doubtless receive an election to that position in the next House.

The caucus nominee in many instances was defeated and a "bolter" put in his place. Whenever a caucus is fairly attended and the proceedings are honorable, it is a rather shabby thing to bolt. Under the present ballot system caucuses are a necessity and somebody has to stand the racket of a nomination. To bolt an honorably nominated candidate is political cruelty.

Derby showed her voting strength pretty well, although two or three hundred of her voters remained at home, by casting 429 votes.

The friends of T. Abel Chase, formerly of Jay and well-known in this county, will be pleased that he represents the town of Bradford, frequently carried by the democracy. Hardwick elects Geo. W. Bridgman. Both of these gentlemen have had previous experience in the legislature.

Westmore seems to have gone back on the proposition to split up the town. She elected Capt. Averill of "Ben Hur" fame by a good majority. The Captain will make his presence felt at Montpelier.

Orleans County sends one lawyer, one editor, one clergyman, one station agent, one hotel keeper, one steamboat captain, two physicians, two merchants and eight farmers to the legislature. A combination which ought to be possessed of much "wisdom and virtue."

Democracy is pretty near extinct in the towns of Brownington and Mor-

gan. There are supposed to be only two of this specie in each of these towns. In Brownington one is a man who is something over 80 years of age, who explains his politics by stating that his great grandfather fought under Washington. Just what this has to do with his politics is hard to understand. The other democrat was recently imported from New Hampshire. The pure Vermont republican atmosphere will soon cleanse him of the New Hampshire malady.

Prohibitionists and Populists cast about 1100 votes. The prohibitionists have tried faithfully and hard to keep their baby party alive, but the infant has shown no propensity to grow and is so low and weak at this time that it is difficult to find its pulse. The populist party furnishes, at this time, an asylum where those so diseased in heart and head in things political as to be useless in the old parties can find a retreat. There are a few people, always, who will never attend the regular "circus" but can be found in the "side show" every time.

#### PROBATE COURT.

The following business was transacted the past week:

Carrie M. Black, minor, Coventry. Settlement of guardian account.

C. V. Coburn's estate, Westfield. Settlement of administrator's account and decree of distribution.

Sabrina Ramsdell's estate, Newport. License granted administrator to convey real estate that deceased was obligated to convey in her lifetime.

Esther Stone, insane, Newport. Settlement of account of Geo. W. Crawford, former guardian.

Ellen Sumner, insane, Troy. Hearing on petition for inquisition. Order of removal to asylum at Brattleboro issued.

Thomas Hendry, spendthrift, Barton. New bond filed by guardian, and W. O. Harvey, surety on former bond, discharged.

W. H. H. Merrill's estate, Craftsbury. Commissioners' Report returned and accepted.

#### Some queer Shaped Comets.

The astronomers and observers in general have noted and recorded many oddities among the various comets or "hairy stars" that have made their appearance in the heavens. That of the year 1102, known as "Metia's comet," was in the form of a plow, but without anything resembling handles.

"The crook near the 'moldboard' finally elongated until the celestial wanderer stretched out in a V shape until it looked like a flock of fiery geese. Joseph says that the comet of the year 70 A. D. was in the shape of a sword, and that it 'hung over the city (of Jerusalem) a whole year.' The comet of 1221 looked like the flukes of an immense whale, the resemblance being so strong that it went into the histories of several widely separated countries as the 'whale comet.' Donati's comet, when first seen on June 2, 1858, was in the shape of a tadpole. On Oct. 3 it was sword shaped, and six days later was the counterpart of the wing of a gigantic bird.—St. Louis Republic.

#### Six Cameras in One.

A sextuple photographic telescope has just been completed for the Yale observatory which may revolutionize the present astronomical methods and lead to valuable new discoveries. Having six cameras instead of one, the new telescope can cover a field in the sky equal to that which would be occupied by 2,400 full moons. With this wonderful gain of perspective not only does it seem probable that it may reveal new facts relating to meteoric heights, but that it may cast new light upon the moon as a living world. Enlargement of the negatives of the Lick observatory revealed last year the existence of a new lunar crater, and the Arequipa observatory has discovered evidences of actual physical change.—Buffalo Commercial.

#### Archduchess Rainier's Pearls.

The Archduchess Rainier possesses some pearls of unusual beauty, but which some time ago showed signs of losing their brilliancy. They were what the experts call "ill," and, as the only cure, the pearls will have to be again submerged in their original element and remain in the sea for several years. For this purpose divers have built a sort of cage of rocks in the Adriatic sea, opposite the chateau of Miramar, in which receptacle the pearls will be put for their long bath.—Florence Correspondent.

#### ORLEANS COUNTY RETURNS.

	Albany	Barton	Brownington	Charleston	Coventry	Craftsbury	Derby	Glover	Greensboro	Holland	Irasburgh	Jay	Lowell	Morgan	Newport	Troy	Westfield	Westmore
Commissioner	58	154	54	159	68	149	57	159	59	159	58	160	159	58	157	160	58	154
Attorney	41	235	39	267	51	250	37	260	45	255	40	260	200	42	241	262	259	248
Justice	1	104	1	103	1	103	1	105	1	103	1	104	1	1	98	102	1	104
Sherriff	12	175	12	174	12	173	12	173	12	173	12	173	12	11	174	177	11	177
Probate	20	101	20	101	23	96	21	99	20	99	21	99	100	20	99	100	21	99
Recorder	39	148	39	148	35	132	35	143	34	144	38	140	140	30	140	140	30	140
Notary	58	367	58	364	74	354	62	366	61	365	64	367	367	58	356	365	60	371
Assessor	33	183	33	181	39	184	35	180	33	187	31	187	155	24	187	181	29	180
Surveyor	13	131	13	130	14	137	13	136	13	137	13	137	135	13	136	138	13	137
Highway	40	96	40	98	48	88	40	97	40	96	40	97	40	93	95	93	98	40
Fire	17	128	17	128	30	105	17	128	17	132	18	134	132	17	125	135	17	135
Police	25	108	25	108	25	107	25	108	25	110	25	108	108	25	108	108	25	108
Health	72	129	73	127	74	128	72	128	73	129	73	127	128	71	128	128	73	129
Religion	2	91	2	91	4	89	2	91	2	91	2	91	2	2	91	91	2	91
Education	100	283	99	284	123	276	100	241	99	289	103	276	285	100	281	295	100	285
Charity	56	141	52	185	67	181	63	159	56	200	54	187	187	54	182	189	57	190
Public	15	123	15	122	29	111	15	124	14	127	15	124	124	15	124	125	15	125
Other	11	62	11	62	11	62	11	62	11	62	11	62	62	11	62	61	11	63

#### Queer Studios.

One day, says Henry Bacon in his book on contemporary French art, when I was coming up the Champs Elysees, a cab with the green blind down attracted my attention. It showed that some one was paying 2 francs an hour for the privilege of remaining stationary as long as he might choose to do so. Presently up went the curtain, and there appeared the head of Jean Beraud, the artist.

At his invitation I put my head into the miniature studio to see his last picture. His canvas was perched upon the seat in front, his color box beside him, and with the curtain down on one side to keep out the reflection and to hide himself from the prying eyes of passers-by he could paint at ease through the opposite window a view of the avenue as a background to a group of figures.

Who originated this idea it is hard to say, but for years, since pictures of modern Paris have been so popular, it has been employed by many artists.

#### At the Circus.

The elephant reached around with his trunk and rattled the bars of the cage of the royal Bengal tiger.

"What do you want?" growled the tiger.

"I beg your pardon, I merely wanted to ask you a question."

"Ask it then, and don't stand there all day."

"Can you tell me the difference between a royal Bengal tiger and a jackass?"

"No," growled the tiger. "What's the difference?"

"Well," chuckled the elephant as he blew a washtubful of dust into the tiger's eyes, "if I couldn't tell the difference between myself and a jackass, I'd lie my stripes into a string and hang myself with it. Indeed I would," and the elephant went back to seessawing on his front legs and distributing occasional trunkfuls of dust and grass along his spinal column.—Detroit Free Press.

Let young folks be hopeful, expectant of great things; in some good sense of the word, impatient.

Scold rhubarb before cooking it. It takes much less sugar, and yet it seems to have lost none of its acid.

Do not grumble because your correspondent writes an illegible hand. As life as not he doesn't know how to spell.

The meanest man in the world will agree to everything you say about him as long as he thinks you are talking about somebody else.

#### They Got There In Time.

The following story in The Christian Leader, told of Hosea Ballou by his son, the late Rev. Massena Ballou, shows how a wise driver will regulate his speed by the quality of his horse.

Father and son were in the same vehicle, bound for a religious meeting to be held at some distance from their home, at the time in Barnard, Vt. The father was apparently in no hurry and permitted the horse to move on at an easy trot.

The son, growing fearful lest the place of meeting would not be reached in season, said to his father in a somewhat anxious tone, "Father, do you think we shall get there in season?"

The answer was, "Yes, Massena, if we don't hurry."

The son "saw the point." Only so much could be got out of the horse. At the outset he was forced, his vitality being exhausted he would be compelled "to slow down" at the other end of the route, and this might be fatal to the journey's purpose. By permitting him to fall back upon his natural strength he would be as vigorous at the finish as at the start, and his natural strength was equal to the occasion.

The result proved the wisdom of the remark.

#### Practical Dental Hints.

An aching tooth should never be borne with. I have known a woman to courageously endure the repeated excruciating toothache that attends a dying nerve without consulting a dentist. The pain finally subsided for good and for all, but the tooth gradually became discolored, taking on a drabish tone. Then for the first time this unlucky woman suspected what had happened. The pulp, the dead nerve, was removed, but the tooth never regained its clear, pearly luster. If one is troubled with dyspepsia or any gastric disturbance, the teeth bear witness to the fact. They lose their brilliancy, often become stained a dark saffron about their necks. Every pretty dyspeptic should make a point of keeping a wineglass of water, into which is stirred a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda, by her bedside to rinse her mouth with as often as she wakes. The bicarbonate counteracts the effect of any "acidity" of the stomach on the teeth.—Philadelphia Times.

#### STATE FAIR.

The State Fair held at White River Junction last week was a success in attendance and in exhibits. The amount of stock, horses, cattle and swine was very large. While the horse of the fair was the trotting horse chiefly, some men seemed to be interested in the roadster, the draft and the farm horse, of which there were good animals. Mr. Vail of Speedwell Farms, Lyndon, showed his French coach horses, and there were exhibits from other good breeders. The show of oxen was remarkable, while that of the different breeds in the line of dairy animals was good: the Jersey predominated. The supply of farm machinery was large. Floral Hall department was comparatively small, but the exhibition good. In the line of fruit and vegetables, there was no extraordinary showing. The trotting and sports about the grand stand attracted chief attention. We saw the noted stallion Nelson, and witnessed his trotting heat in which he made, without apparent urging, a mile in 2:11. He is a beautiful bay horse of the Wilkes pattern in form and color. On the same day Mr. Bailey's Helen M. and Mr. Bates' Wauco trotted in a fast race, against a Boston horse, just losing the race in heats of 2:15 and 2:18. It looked as though the Bailey mare was working for second money. Wauco was third but must have made his mile in 2:17 in a heat. Dorcas Pratt of this village won the four year old race, and a second race on Thursday, beating a field of eight horses on the last day, best time 2:25. Two balloons took a sailing voyage on Thursday, making a very handsome ascent. They disappeared in the smoky sky far to the southeast, their occupants, a gentleman, in one, a lady in the other, landing in New Hampshire. The fair was well managed, and everything was orderly and agreeable. It ought to have been a financial success.



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	WHOLESALE.	RETAIL.
Butter, pr lb.	18	19
Cheese, pr lb.	10	11
Eggs, pr doz.	4 1/2	5
Maple Sugar, tub, pr 100	4 1/2	5
Maple Sugar, dry, pr lb.	40	40
Potatoes, pr bu.	2 1/2	3
Hides, pr lb.	20	20
Calf skins, each	15	15
Pressed Hay, pr ton	15	15
Chickens, live	8	8
Butter, pr lb.	20	22
Cheese, pr lb.	11	11
Eggs, pr doz.	15	16
Potatoes, pr bu.	2 1/2	3
Sugar, refined, pr lb.	4 1/2	5
Sugar, maple, pr lb.	4 1/2	5
Molasses, pr gal.	44	40
Salt, T. I., bu.	25	25
Flour, roller, pr bu.	3 25	3 75
Flour, patent, pr bbl.	4 00	4 00
Corn, pr bu.	45	45
Oats, pr bu.	110	110
Corn Meal, pr cwt.	1 05	1 15
Flour, pr cwt.	1 15	1 20
Middlings, pr cwt.	1 45	1 45
Cotton Seed Meal, pr cwt.	1 40	1 40
Gluten Meal, pr cwt.	1 40	1 40
Kerosene, pr gal.	15	15
Tea, Japan, pr lb.	2 50	3 00
Wood, pr cord	2 50	3 00

#### BIRTHS.

In Craftsbury, Aug. 30, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Thompson.

In Coventry, Sept. 5, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lee.

In Irasburgh, Sept. 2, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Asa Hancock.

#### MARRIED.

In Irasburgh, at the home of the bride's parents, Sept. 2, by Rev. I. P. Chase, Warner L. Stannard of Manchester, N. H., and Maggie M. Grant of Irasburgh.